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Office Action Summary

Application No.

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Applicant(s)

DA PALMA ET AL.

Examiner

Sathyanarayan Pannala

Art Unit

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- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 21 August 2006.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-18 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-18 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☒ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

1. Applicant's Amendment filed on 12/9/2003 has been examined. In this Office Action, claims 1-18 are pending.

Specification

2. The title of the invention is too long. A new title is required that is clearly indicative of the invention to which the claims are directed.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

3. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

4. Claims 1-18 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Herriot (US Patent 6,154,742) hereinafter Harriot.

5. As per independent claims 1, 7, 13, Herriot teaches a system and method for obtaining a copy of a data object. A location independent identifier associated with the desired data object is obtained (col. 2, lines 16-18). Herriot teaches the claimed, a method of constructing a system-independent key from a universal resource indicator for use in an index-less caching system, the method comprising converting characters of the universal resource indicator to equivalent values resulting in a value string having a value string length, the value string including a file name associated with a cached resource (Fig. 2, col. 9, lines 28-45 and col. 12, lines 58-67).

6. As per dependent claims 2, 8, 14, further comprising: determining if the value string length exceeds a predetermined maximum file entry length for the caching system and converting the value string into discrete file entries including one or more directory entries and the file name associated with the cached resource, wherein each discrete file entry contains a number of values equal to or less than the maximum file entry length (Fig. 2, col. 9, lines 52-59).

7. As per dependent claims 3, 9, 15, Herriot teaches the claimed, the index-less caching system is a Web browser (Fig. 2, col. 9, lines 6-8).

8. As per dependent claims 4, 10, 16, Herriot teaches the claimed, the index-less caching system is a VoiceXML browser (col. 8, lines 42-46).

9. As per dependent claim 5, 11, 17, Herriot teaches the claimed, the equivalent values are alphanumeric values (Fig. 2, col. 9, lines 48-56).

10. As per dependent claims 6, 12, 18, Herriot teaches the claimed, the alphanumeric values are hexadecimal values (Fig. 2, col. 9, lines 48-56).

Response to Arguments

11. Applicant's arguments filed on 8/21/2006 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive and details as follows:

a) Applicant's argument stated as "Figure 2 only a table with a column header for a URI..." (see page 9, paragraph 1).

In response to the Applicant argument, Examiner disagrees because Herriot teaches in Figure 2, showing as cache table is represented by element 235 and in the same figure other elements are shown as client 210, page 1 HTML as 225, SYSA Server, cache 230, and all these are connected by elements 220 and 260. The details of each element in the figure are explained on col. 9, line 6 to col. 10, line 4.

b) Applicant's argument stated as "In all three claims, the characters of the URI are converted to equivalent values."

In response to the Applicant argument, Examiner disagrees because Herriot teaches the three claims 1, 7 and 13 as "In the past, programs such as World Wide Web browsers (such as Sun Microsystems, Inc.'s HotJava, Netscape

Communications Corp.'s Netscape Navigator and Microsoft Corp.'s Internet Explorer) frequently have operated using a cache indexed by a Uniform Resource Locator (URL)." (see col. 1, lines 36-58). Further, in response to applicant's argument, a recitation of the intended use of the claimed invention must result in a structural difference between the claimed invention and the prior art in order to patentably distinguish the claimed invention from the prior art. If the prior art structure is capable of performing the intended use, then it meets the claim.

Conclusion


12. **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL.** Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of this final action.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Sathyanarayan Pannala whose telephone number is (571) 272-4115. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:00 am - 5:00 pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Charles Rones can be reached on (571) 272-4085. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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